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The specification and claims have been amended as follows (material to be inserted is in **bold and underlined**, material to be deleted is in ~~[brackets and strikeout]~~):

20. (Twice Amended) A fluid conduit device comprising
a substantially rigid tube member having a proximal end configured for connection to an aircraft in communication with an onboard tank, wherein the tube member is movable into a downward orientation for accessing a fluid source [spaced away from] while the aircraft flies translationally over the fluid source.

33. (Once Amended) A fluid conduit device for an aircraft, comprising
a tube member having a proximal end and a distal end, the proximal end being configured for connection to an aircraft in communication with an onboard tank, the distal end having a fluid inlet configured to be entirely submerged in a fluid source while the aircraft [translates] flies translationally over the fluid source.

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